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Governor Nikki Haley News:

Florence Morning News: Florence luncheon to celebrate domestic violence program
http://www.snow.com/news/local/article_c0194688-655b-11e5-87f1-975870fb0a71.html
Deborah Swearingen

The Pee Dee Coalition will host a luncheon for the 20th anniversary of its Alternatives to Violence (ATV) program on Oct. 29 at the Francis Marion University Performing Arts Center in downtown Florence. ATV is an offender intervention program with the goal of reducing relationship violence. It offers a variety of services, including assessments, 26-week group sessions, criminal and legal coordination and case tracking.

Note: Smith also will talk about current state initiatives, including Gov. Nikki Haley's domestic violence task force, Hamilton said. Some initiatives were spurred by the paper's work.

S.C. Political News:

Sun News: At SC stop, Lindsey Graham eyes New Hampshire to keep presidential campaign rolling
<http://www.thestate.com/news/politics-government/election/Candidate-match/article36792018.html#storylink=cpy>

Maya T. Prabhu

Lindsey Graham said he doesn't pay a lot of attention to the polls and will continue campaigning hard in New Hampshire and Iowa in his quest to become the next president of the United States.

Associated Press: GOP hopeful Graham joins fellow senator Scott at town hall
http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=PWWHgSwP

South Carolina's two U.S. senators are getting together this week to talk presidential politics. Tim Scott is hosting Lindsey Graham on Monday as part of his Tim's Town Halls series. Graham is seeking the GOP nomination for president, and he is slated to appear onstage with Scott at the Crown Reef Resort and Conference Center in Myrtle Beach.

Associated Press: Kelley Paul addressing GOP women's group in South Carolina
http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=eR9uH1SB

The wife of Republican presidential candidate Rand Paul is returning to South Carolina for a campaign swing on her husband's behalf. The U.S. senator from Kentucky's campaign says Kelley Paul is in the Palmetto State on Monday for two stops.

S.C. General Assembly News:

Post and Courier: State senator, sheriff team up for forum to address policing issues in October
<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20150927/PC16/150929379>

Melissa Boughton

Sen. Marlon Kimpson and Charleston County Sheriff Al Cannon will join forces in early October to put on a "21st Century Social Justice" forum. The event is open to the public and will be held at 6 p.m. Oct. 8 at the International Longshoremen's Association Hall, 1142 Morrison Drive.

Index-Journal: Former state Sen. John Drummond celebrates 96 in Ninety Six
<http://indexjournal.com/news/Former-state-Sen--John-Drummond-celebrates-96-in-Ninety-Six>

Colin Riddle

Another milestone was reached for one of Greenwood County's longest-serving senators Sunday. Surrounded by close friends, family and colleagues, former state Sen. John Drummond, who turned 96, was

honored at the birthday drop-in at the Lake Greenwood State Park's Drummond Center by the S.C. Military Department with a lifetime achievement award.

Opinion / Editorial Roundup:

Post and Courier: Build S.C. 'firewall' to protect Ex-Im Bank

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20150928/PC1002/150929409>

Stephen Aaron

For the conservative groups and Republican presidential candidates that are opposed to the Export-Import Bank (Ex-Im), the chickens are coming home to roost, and it is costing South Carolina jobs. According to The Wall Street Journal, GE recently said "it would transfer the 500 jobs mainly to Europe over the next year to field competitive bids for turbines and other industrial equipment with financing from foreign export credit agencies.

Post and Courier: S.C.'s big, bad rating

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20150928/PC1002/150929413>

Editorial

According to a new analysis, the state's rate of obesity is 10th in the nation. And while Trust for America's Health and the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, which produced the report, point out that the rate of obesity nationally stayed about the same in 2014 as in 2013, that's cold comfort when the rate of adult obesity rate in South Carolina is 32.1 percent.

South Carolina News:

Politico: Mulvaney: McCarthy has 'inside track' on speakership

<http://www.politico.com/blogs/the-gavel/2015/09/house-speaker-freedom-caucus-kevin-mccarthy-214116>

Kyle Cheney

Rep. Mick Mulvaney (R-S.C.), a founding member of the conservative House Freedom Caucus, acknowledged Sunday that current Majority Leader Kevin McCarthy (R-Calif.) is the favorite to replace John Boehner as speaker. "I think it's fair to say that Kevin has the inside track for the position," Mulvaney said on Fox News Sunday.

The State: S.C. congressmen helped push House speaker out

<http://www.thestate.com/news/politics-government/politics-columns-blogs/the-buzz/article36548958.html>

Andrew Shain

South Carolinians were behind another Civil War. U.S. Reps. Mick Mulvaney and Jeff Duncan, a pair of Palmetto State lawmakers, are among the conservative Republican congressmen credited with — or blamed for — helping push out House Speaker John Boehner, the Ohio Republican who said Friday he will resign next month.

Post and Courier: At S.C. State, students make small sacrifices to sustain their institution

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20150927/PC16/150929473>

Deanna Pan

There's a small controversy brewing on campus between students and administration at South Carolina State University. Under new cost-cutting measures at the financially troubled college, administrators have changed the student meal-plan policy so they can no longer use "swipes" at the most popular dining spot on campus, the Pitt at the K.W. Green Student Center, with its bevy of takeout options.

Post and Courier: From China to South Carolina, Volvo's Fjording fosters collaborative culture

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20150927/PC05/150929508>

David Wren

Whether it's Gothenburg, Sweden, as an executive with Volvo Cars, a stint with Ford Motor Co. near Chicago's Lake Michigan or now, as Volvo's vice president of purchasing and manufacturing for the Americas in the Charleston region, Fjording says she's lucky to have lived most of her life near the oceans and waterways that inspire her.

Spartanburg Herald Journal: Refugees begin to call Spartanburg home

<http://www.goupstate.com/article/20150927/ARTICLES/150929782/1083/ARTICLES?Title=A-new-chapter-Refugees-calling-Spartanburg-home>

Alyssa Mulliger, Zach Fox

Earlier this year, before refugees fleeing their homeland became a global concern, World Relief, a faith-based nonprofit group, announced it was bringing more than 60 refugees to Spartanburg County. The refugees have come to the United States through World Relief and the federal U.S. Refugee Resettlement Program.

Associated Press: Corps, Court take up contentious SC cruise terminal

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=NeIWduKO

Bruce Smith

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is sorting through hundreds of comments and the South Carolina Court of Appeals has set arguments for later this year in the ongoing dispute over a proposed \$35 million passenger cruise terminal in Charleston. The South Carolina Ports Authority envisions the terminal in a renovated waterfront warehouse and wants a federal permit to place five additional clusters of pilings beneath the structure where there are now more than 1,000.

Local News:

Island Packet: Moss played key role in hiring of N.C. attorney

<http://www.islandpacket.com/news/local/community/beaufort-news/article36717978.html>

Gina Smith

The school board for the Beaufort County School District -- at the recommendation of Superintendent Jeff Moss and others -- hired an attorney last year who was not yet licensed to practice law in South Carolina and who had previously been caught up in a scandal in a N.C. school system.

Post and Courier: Conditions take toll on Lowcountry farmers as corn profits dry up

<http://www.postandcourier.com/article/20150927/PC16/150929547>

Bo Petersen

The spring rains kept the fields so wet Billy Walker didn't bother to plant most of his corn acreage. Michael Kemmerlin never got to half of his in the soggy ground. Then the June heat crippled what they did plant, just as it tasseled to pollinate. But at least the Summerville and the Ridgeville farmer brought in a crop.

Associated Press: Federal judge orders ex-charter school director to prison

http://m.apnews.com/ap/db_268748/contentdetail.htm?contentguid=aYLR1eux

A federal judge has ordered a former Lee County charter school director to report to prison this week after having been convicted of stealing more than \$1.5 million intended to help educate low-income children. The State newspaper (<http://bit.ly/1OBHcSu>) reports that U.S. District Judge Terry Wooten told Benita Dinkins-Robinson to report to prison in Alderson, West Virginia, on Tuesday, despite Dinkins-Robinson having filed an appeal.

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